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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version was released in <i>HLT Health Training Package release 3.0</i> and meets the requirements of the 2012 Standards for Training Packages. Significant changes to the elements and performance criteria. New evidence requirements for assessment including volume and frequency requirements. Removal of pre-requisites Supersedes HLTAMBCR401C.

Application

This unit of competency describes the knowledge and skills required to conduct clinical assessment and deliver basic clinical care in a pre-hospital/out-of-hospital environment.

This unit applies to pre-hospital/out-of-hospital health care workers. The worker provides basic life support and prioritises clinical care of a patient in accordance with established clinical practice guidelines.

The skills in this unit must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State/Territory legislation, Australian/New Zealand Standards and industry codes of practice.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Elements define the essential outcomes

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

1. Make initial incident and patient assessment

1.1 Conduct pre-planning before arrival at scene based on information communicated in the request for service

1.2 Conduct scene survey according to established clinical guidelines and protocols

1.3 Conduct primary survey of patient including taking vital signs

1.4 Conduct a secondary survey, including a systematic physical examination of the whole body using applied clinical knowledge

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1.5 Obtain and document history of the event

1.6 Identify patient's main complaints as a basis for systematic prioritised treatment

1.7 Apply situational knowledge of the patient to guide selection of appropriate treatment options

1.8 Determine the time-critical issues given resource considerations

1.9 Assess transport requirements and appropriate destination, versus transport criticality, to ensure requirements of urgency and patient care are met

2. Plan basic pre-hospital/out-of-hospital patient care

2.1 Establish priorities of care based on initial patient assessment according to established clinical guidelines and protocols

2.2 Develop a treatment plan and outline treatment priorities

2.3 Identify and develop contingency plans based on mechanisms of injury and potential for patient deterioration according to established clinical guidelines and protocols

3. Implement basic patient care procedures

3.1 Implement all patient care procedures and pharmacological therapies within own level of expertise and authority to practise, and the limits of clinical guidelines and protocols

3.2 Identify the need to seek assistance immediately where the situation or patient's condition requires treatment that is outside scope or authority to practise

3.3 Operate equipment as required for patient management according to manufacturer or supplier's instructions and clinical guidelines and protocols

3.4 Apply infection prevention and control principles to patient care

3.5 Use safe lifting and patient handling techniques in accordance with workplace health and safety (WHS) requirements and organisation policy and procedures

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4. Monitor basic patient care and modify as required

4.1 Re-assess patient at appropriate intervals and modify treatment as required according to established clinical guidelines and protocols

4.2 Monitor pharmacological outcomes, noting effectiveness of treatment regime and amend according to patient's condition

5. Handover patient to a healthcare facility

5.1 Document relevant patient details according to established clinical guidelines and protocols

5.2 Maintain patient confidentiality at all times

5.3 Ensure documentation for clinical handover procedures contains all necessary information

5.4 Convey information appropriately to authorised individuals involved in ongoing patient care

5.5 Maintain patient care until responsibility for patient is taken over by staff of the receiving agency

Foundation Skills

The Foundation Skills describe those required skills (language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills) that are essential to performance.

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Unit Mapping Information

No Equivalent Unit

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ced1390f-48d9-4ab0-bd50-b015e5485705>